

Idaho News From Her Main Cities and Towns.

BREEZY BRIEFS FROM BUSY BOISE

Fine New Depot Planned—Cyanide Plant Under Construction—Fuel Plentiful.

FORGER IS HELD FOR TRIAL.

No Excuse for Violation of The Liquor Law—Assessors Overlook Several Things.

Special Correspondence.

BOISE, Idaho, Dec. 5.—A suit entitled S. C. Frost et al vs. Alvarado Water company et al, comes up at 10 o'clock today. The Idaho Irrigation company, together with numerous other companies and individuals, are parties to the suit, arising from a question of water rights on the Big Wood river.

The Boise law firm retained in connection with the suit are Hawley, Peck & Hawley, Richard & Hage, Sullivan & Sullivan, Silas W. Moody and N. M. Bulck.

VIOLATES LIQUOR LAW.

N. C. Larsen, proprietor of a wine house, has been fined \$75 for selling liquor to minors. It appears that a boy presented himself at the wine house with a written order from his father for a pint of whisky. Mr. Larsen delivered the order to the boy, who took it to a secluded spot. He and his companion drank the whisky, becoming intoxicated, and were later arrested by the police. It was proved in police court that the boy had forged his father's name to the order. The court held that Larsen should have satisfied himself that the order was genuine before delivering the goods.

TO ENFORCE ORDINANCE.

Mayor Holmes and the board of health have taken rigid measures to have the health ordinances of this city enforced to the very letter. Letters have been written by the board to every practicing physician and accoucher in the city calling attention to the provisions of the ordinance. Especially was great stress laid upon that part of the ordinance requiring all attending physicians in cases where births and deaths occur to make a report of same within 12 hours after they have occurred.

PLENTY OF FUEL.

For the first time in many months Boise has succeeded in getting ahead of the demand for coal and is now actually selling coal for sale, showing that there is now on hand with the dealers more coal than is actually necessary to meet the immediate demands. There are now over 35 loads of coal in the coal yards waiting to be run into the coal bins. This presents a great contrast from last year at this time, when it was practically impossible to procure sufficient coal to meet the running needs of the city, and many families actually suffered from the cold. During the past month, coal has been streaming in by the trainload from Pennsylvania, Arkansas, Illinois and Wyoming.

ASSESSORS BLAMED.

The case of Washington county vs. the state board of equalization was dismissed Monday. The case is one in which Frank Harris, a taxpayer of the above named county, introduced a writ in the supreme court against the board for adding to the assessment rolls 78,840 sheep, which it is claimed by the board were overlooked, or purposely omitted from the assessment roll by the county assessors.

The motion of the attorney-general to quash the writ of review was sustained by the supreme court, on the ground that the plaintiff was not personally interested in the case and could not be benefited by a decision in his favor; on the contrary, he would be injured.

According to the records in the office of the state auditor, Washington county was not the only one to which the board added values of sheep missed by the assessors. The value of \$1,800 were added to Fremont, 198,792 added to Blaine, and 28,464 added to the assessment roll of Boise county.

MONTANA FORGER HELD.

The clever forger, A. Leon, brought to this city recently from Butte, Mont., on charge of forgery, had his hearing in the justice's court Monday, and was bound over for trial in the district court. Failing to furnish a \$500 bond, Leon was committed to the county jail. The Capital State bank paid out \$324 on Leon's checks last fall.

NEW CYANIDE PLANT.

This morning construction work began on the new cyanide plant in South Boise. The crushing plant consists of a crusher and rolls, the order for which is already in the hands of the manufacturer. It is the intention of the owners to have the plant in running condition by the first of February.

Prof. J. Gerster, inventor of the new process, is now here and making preparations to establish his permanent residence in Boise. The money for the plant is being furnished by local people, and it is believed that the installment of the concern will be a great impetus to mining business in this section. By the new process ores can be treated at a very low cost.

BOISE GETS DEPOT.

The Boise Interurban Electric Railway company, operating now between Boise and Caldwell, has just purchased the lot immediately south of the federal building, corner of Seventh and Bannock streets, for the erection of a \$75,000 depot. Construction work will not begin before next spring, however.

Mr. Pierce, president of the company, owns the corner lot adjoining the proposed site for the new depot, where the Thompson livery barn now stands. In the near future this building will be torn down and a great business center will be created.

IDENTS OF OAKLEY WEATHER THE GALE.

Special Correspondence.
OAKLEY, Dec. 5.—The Oakley State bank, of which S. F. Halverson is cashier, capitalized at \$25,000, was fortunate enough to have on hand in available cash, Oct. 30, \$9,262—rather more than is required by law, and was nearly double the amount required ordinarily by the bank to keep up its circulation. Therefore the Oakley bank, under the efficient management of Mr. Halverson, with the large supply of cash on hand, when the panic was launched upon the country, has been able to continue undisturbed its cash payments, never refusing to cash its own checks, never offering a cashier's check or clearing house certificate in payment for cash during the month. And, strange to say, the cash on hand has steadily increased during this period, so that the bank shows today a cash supply on hand of \$10,945.

As soon as it became known that the Oakley bank had plenty of cash on hand to supply its depositors, there was an effort made by people from the outside to have checks from other banks, all over the country, cashed at the Oakley bank, but Cashier Halverson was too wise for them, and this class of custom was turned down.

Most other banks in the country and in the state, so far as known, have been compelled, on account of the stringency, to refuse to cash their own checks. If any other proof of the stability of the Oakley bank was necessary prior to the general contraction of currency, that period has supplied the proof, and the result is that the bank's funds were never so severely taxed in their duties as at the present time in taking care of the volume of business that is passing through their hands.

The local business houses report an exceptionally good business during November. They have been annoyed some by the fact that the large canal companies adjoining on the northwest have adopted the idea of paying all labor and supplies in one-fifth cash and four-fifths due bills, like the old time "shipmasters." These are payable in four to six months' time at 6 per cent interest, but virtually compelling people doing business with them to loan their hard earnings to these great "Shells" of untold millions. Local business firms have refused, as a rule, to receive the modern shipmasters. The new brick residence of G. A. Day has just been completed. Cleo Kidd of Burley having finished the painting.

Bishop D. P. Thomas is having the finishing touches put on a beautiful five-roomed cottage erected for his daughter, Maud Clark.

Howells' new brick opera house is up to the square, and the large trusses for the roof are being put in place by a crew of carpenters.

F. H. Critchfield has just moved into a new frame residence recently erected. These improvements are pointed to in connection with good crops, peace and plenty, as indications of the prosperity of citizens hereabouts. Indeed the people of Oakley have not suffered an iota from the suspension of the currency circulation that has almost caused a financial panic in many parts of the land.

BURLEY BOYS BREAK CAR AND CRIB CANDY.

Special Correspondence.
BURLEY, Dec. 1.—Some youthful burglars broke into a merchandiser's car last Sunday and got away with about 15 pounds of candy. Special Agent Knowles was notified and he in company with Constable Savage, soon had two of the offenders in hand, but could not find the two principal ones as they were out of town.

The Sunday school of this ward is preparing an operetta for Christmas eve.

The dramatic club recently organized will give the popular play "Because I Love You" Christmas night. The young fellows are working hard to make it a success.

Mrs. Gale, wife of Agent A. T. Gale, went to Pocatello and Oxford today, for a few days to visit friends.

Joe. Hepworth of Albion went to Nevada today to look after some property which he has there.

G. A. Axline, president of the state normal at Albion, and wife, left for Iowa Monday morning. Mrs. Axline received word Sunday that her father had died.

Joe. Sessions, manager of the Nibley Lumber company of this place, has sold his house and lot east of town and is having a house built near his place, on business in the western part of town.



KING CARLOS BANISHES SON.

A special dispatch to the Standard from Lisbon says that King Carlos of Portugal has banished Crown Prince Luiz Philippe to the royal residence at Villa Vicosa, an isolated park 100 miles from the capital, on account of the prince's remonstrance against the dictatorship regime which he declares, is turning Portugal into a hotbed of republicans and anarchists and endangering the monarchy.

The incident has caused a great sensation. The Crown Prince is said to be under the influence of the Conservatives, who advocate the abdication of King Carlos in favor of his son.

Prince Luiz Philippe, Duke of Braganza, is the Crown Prince of Portugal. He is only 20 years of age.

The king is 44. Reports received here say that the palace at Lisbon is surrounded by loyal troops, but the king is practically a prisoner, according to a letter which escaped the censor and has been received here by the Liberal.

Persons arriving from Lisbon say Col. Tasta, aide-de-camp to King Carlos, has resigned and that several regiments of doubtful loyalty have been disbanded.

Collisions between troops and insurgents in Lisbon are said to have resulted in many deaths and injuries. Detectives are shadowing the leading politicians of the country, according to advices, and many persons are leaving. The king has refused to sign a decree declaring martial law throughout the kingdom.

FINAL BEET RUN NOW IN PROGRESS

Factories Have Enough Material To Keep Going to Middle Of January.

HELP IS NOW PLENTIFUL, TOO

Change in Salt Lake-Sugar City Train Service Greatly Appreciated—M. I. A. Prospering.

Special Correspondence.

SUGAR CITY, Ida., Dec. 5.—Yesterday the railroad company commenced hauling beets from different points along the line. The beets that are now being hauled to the factory were sown in the fields and beets that were left at the dumps, there being too many to handle at the factory earlier. This moving of the beets will take about 10 days and is giving more work to the farmers. The factory is making a record-breaking run. Everything is running smoothly and it is expected that every beet will be worked by the middle of January. There is plenty of help at the present time and as the farmers are most all through with their fall work, there will be no more trouble on account of scarcity of labor. Fall plowing is finished. This will be a great advantage, as fall-plowed land is much better for the crops than spring-plowed land. It also enables the planting of seed earlier and in this country the earlier the seed can be planted the better it is, as the seasons are so short.

CHANGE APPRECIATED.

The residents of this section of the country are elated over the success of the committee which succeeded in having a through train service to Salt Lake City. Before today the St. Anthony branch of the Oregon Short Line Railroad company had but one train a day and each time there was a long wait to make connections at Idaho Falls for the Butte train to Salt Lake.

The Mutual Improvement associations are going forward with leaps and bounds. At the meetings each Sunday evening there is never a vacant seat. The lessons and program rendered are very interesting.

SUNDAY SCHOOL OFFICER PLEASANTLY SURPRISED

Special Correspondence.

IDAHO FALLS, Ida., Dec. 5.—John P. Leifgren has sold out, and is moving his family to Ogden. Mr. Leifgren has been superintendent of the Idaho Falls Sunday school for five years, and the officers of the Sabbath school gave him a surprise Thursday night, presenting him with their picture in a group all framed as a token of esteem.

Last Sunday Joseph Morley was chosen and sustained as superintendent of the school, with Joseph A. Brunt as one of his assistants. The Wednesday night Prof. Joseph Provinsal, assisted by the L. D. S. choir, and local talent in town gave a very successful concert in the L. D. S. church.

project. Gentle valley is capable of furnishing not only one of the finest power plants in the intermountain country, but it has an unsurpassed location for an immense reservoir and it has all the water necessary for mining. If some river cuts through the valley, and at comparatively small expense dams could be constructed at the lower end of the valley so as to back up the water for miles without the least danger of causing devastation.

EXCITEMENT AT SWAN LAKE OVER GOLD FIND.

Special Correspondence.

OXFORD, Idaho, Dec. 6.—Charles Croshaw, the veteran Deseret News agent, was rather badly injured Tuesday in a runaway. The team he was driving got beyond his control, and ran into a big cottonwood tree, throwing him out on the ground, dislocating his right shoulder and cutting and bruising his head and hip.

The board of referees employed to settle the differences in accounts between H. O. Harkness and W. F. Scott, after hearing a lot of evidence, concluded their work and rendered their decision here last Friday.

Hayley mines of Swan Lake have received a large gasoline traction engine and plow outfit, which they will use on their big farms near here. This is the first gasoline traction engine in this section and its work will be watched with interest.

There was much excitement at Swan Lake about four miles north of here, over the discovery of some gold and silver bearing rock in the mountains north of there. It is reported that about 50 claims have been staked out, and entry made of land for a townsite.

Work was resumed here yesterday from Treasurer that an old gentleman named Brown had been killed by a load of wood tipping over and crushing him. It is said that he was coming down a steep hill and the brake would not hold.

RIGBY A SHIPPING CENTER OF IMPORTANCE

Special Correspondence.

RIGBY, Ida., Dec. 5.—Last Saturday morning early, a fire started in the roof of Mr. A. Caldwell's house at Annis and the flames spread so rapidly that not only was the house burned down, but nearly all the household goods were destroyed.

The Portuguese embassy in Paris has denied the reports both of the banishment of the Crown Prince and the mutiny of the fleet.

All dispatches from Portugal are censored and persons crossing the frontier are regarded with suspicion.

TELLURIDE POWER CO. SHUTS DOWN AT GRACE

Special Correspondence.

GRACE, Dec. 4.—Much to the disappointment and detriment of people hereabouts, work has been suspended on the Telluride Power company's plant in Gentile valley. The scheme is a gigantic one, the purpose of the company being to generate upwards of \$5,000 horse power. If carried to a consummation, the enterprise means much for various parts of Bannock and Oneida counties.

The closing of work and the laying off of more than 150 men came as a complete surprise. No promises are forthcoming as to when operations will be resumed. The stringent money market is doubtless responsible for the shut down. Only eight men remain upon the ground, these to look after the company's holdings and improvements.

Much had been staked by the people in these parts on the power plant, and it is to be hoped that the company will ere long see its way clear to resume operations and carry the

POCATELLO NEGRO IS MURDERER

Charles Bowers Gives Himself Up, Saying He Killed a Man in Colorado.

MCCAMMON KILLING CAUSE.

Crime So Preyed on His Mind That Bowers Confessed Deed to Gate City Authorities.

Special Correspondence.

POCATELLO, Ida., Dec. 5.—The killing of the bartender at McCammon by a negro, a few days ago, has had the result of compelling a negro in this city to confess to a murder committed by him in Colorado five years ago. The negro's name is Charles Bowers. In 1902 he shot and killed a man in Fort Collins, Colo. He eluded capture, and since then the fatal bullet which snuffed out the life of a fellow man, he has been dodging officers and living in constant fear of apprehension, says the Pocatello Tribune.

Bowers voluntarily gave himself up to Chief of Police Ellis, saying he could no longer stand the strain on his conscience. Chief Ellis immediately wired the Colorado officers and this morning received a message from Sheriff McCreery at Fort Collins to hold Bowers until further orders.

BOWERS IS A NEGRO.

Bowers is a negro. He has lived in Pocatello for the past four years under the name of Billy Smith, working in a barber shop on South Third avenue. He is one of the best known and most highly respected colored men in this city. He has since his residence here borne the best of reputations. He is married and has one child. He lives in a neatly furnished cottage on North Third avenue. He is a prominent member of the Gate City club for colored men on the east side.

STORY OF THE SHOOTING.

In September, 1902, he, in company with two other colored men, Jim Lindsey of Colorado Springs, and a negro by the name of Lige, from Denver, worked in the sugar factory at Fort Collins. One night Lige and a white man, whose name Bowers never learned, got into a fight in a saloon. The white man was unarmed, but later in the day pawned his watch and bought a gun with the avowed intention of killing Lige. He gathered other white men about him and started in search of the negro. In the meantime Bowers had heard of the white man's threats against the life of Lige and notified the latter. Bowers fled Lige of a gun and warned him to get out of the country to save trouble. The three negroes started down toward the depot when they met the white man and his companions. After ordering the negroes to get out of the town at once the white men opened fire. Bowers jumped behind a tree and fired a shot, striking the right arm of the mob in the groin, inflicting a wound from which the white man died a few days later. Bowers fled to Windsor, Colo., thence to Greeley, later to Longmont. Lige was arrested and placed in jail at Fort Collins, but was later released. He refused to tell who fired the fatal shot. Bowers successfully eluded the Colorado authorities, and came to Pocatello four years ago. Since then the fact that he had killed a man has so preyed on his mind that finally the strain became too great to bear. Yesterday evening he walked into police headquarters, told Chief of Police Ellis his story, asked that the Colorado officers be notified, and requested to be held in jail.

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